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<b>Office Action Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b> 10/774,734	<b>Applicant(s)</b> ISHIKAWA, WATARU	
	<b>Examiner</b> Laura E. Martin	<b>Art Unit</b> 2853	

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- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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### Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 28 August 2006.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**.                      2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

### Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-12 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-12 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

### Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

### Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All    b) ☐ Some \*    c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- \* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

### Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)          | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)           |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____                                      |
| 3) <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)          | 5) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application |
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## DETAILED ACTION

### ***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103***

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims 1, 4, and 7-12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Chatterjee et al. (US 5985984) in view of Noguchi et al. (US 20020065335).

#### **Chatterjee et al. discloses the following claim limitations:**

As per claims 1 and 4: a light curable aqueous resin composition (column 1, lines 12-21 and column 2, lines 20-25) comprising a polymerizable compound, and an aqueous photopolymerization initiator which generates free radicals by active ray (column 7, lines 4-35) and a non-ionic surfactant (column 7, line 65-column 8, lines 23).

#### **Chaterjee et al. does not disclose the following claim limitations:**

As per claims 1 and 4: a polymerizable compound which polymerizes with radical polymerization by water and active ray.

As per claims 7 and 9: jetting onto an unabsorbant recording material.

As per claims 8 and 10: jetting jetting onto an absorbent recording material.

As per claims 11 and 12: the amount of an organic solvent being 0 to 5%.

#### **Noguchi et al. discloses the following claim limitations:**

As per claims 1 and 4: a polymerizable compound which polymerizes with radical polymerization by water and active ray [0002] and [0027].

As per claims 7 and 9: jetting onto an unabsorbant recording material [0012].

As per claims 8 and 10: jetting jetting onto an absorbent recording material [0054].

As per claims 11 and 12: the amount of an organic solvent being 0 to 5% [0123].

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to modify the ink taught by Chaterjee et al. with the disclosure of Noguchi et al. in order to print with an ink jet printer high quality color images.

Claims 2, 3, 5, and 6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Chatterjee et al. (US 5985984) and Noguchi et al. (US 20020065335) and further in view of Owatari et al. (US 6095645).

**Chatterjee et al. and Noguchi et al. do not disclose the following claim limitations:**

As per claims 2 and 5: a non-ionic surfactant is fluorine system surfactant comprising a perfluoroalkyl group in a molecule.

As per claims 3 and 6: the content of the non-ionic surfactant is 10 to 10000 ppm.

**Owatari et al. discloses the following claim limitations:**

As per claims 2 and 5: a non-ionic surfactant is fluorine system surfactant comprising a perfluoroalkyl group in a molecule (column 3, lines 64).

As per claims 3 and 6: the content of the non-ionic surfactant is 10 to 10000 ppm (column 4, line 7).

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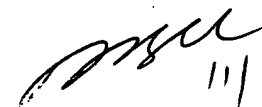
It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to modify the ink taught by Chaterjee et al. as modified with the disclosure of Owatari et al. in order to provide a stable ink composition.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Laura E. Martin whose telephone number is (571) 272-2160. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday, 7:00 - 3:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Stephen D. Meier can be reached on (571) 272-2149. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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**Specification:**

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Line: 6 changed " \_\_\_\_\_ " to --09/770,814--; changed "(Docket 81820) filed of even date herewith" to --filed January 26,2001--,

Line: 8 changed " \_\_\_\_\_ " to --09/771,191--; changed "(Docket 82109) filed of even date herewith" to --filed January 26,2001--,

Line: 10 changed " \_\_\_\_\_ " to --09/770,429--; changed "(Docket 82110) filed of even date herewith" to --filed January 26,2001--,

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Line: 1 changed "\_\_\_\_\_" to --09/772,097--; changed "(Docket 81894) filed of even date herewith" to --filed January 26,2001--,

Line: 3 changed "\_\_\_\_\_" to --09/770,431--; changed "(Docket 81983) filed of even date herewith" to --filed January 26,2001--,

The following examiner's amendment is provided to correct the abstract in accordance with MPEP 608.01(b).

The application has been amended as follows:

**Abstract:**

Line: 3 changed "comprising" to --including--.

Line: 6 changed "comprising" to --including--.

Line: 8 changed "comprising" to --including--.

Line: 11 changed "comprising" to --including--.